

## Message Text

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TAGS: SCUL BC  
SUBJECT: SPORTS ADMINISTRATOR FOR BOTSWANA

REF: A) GABORONE 1335 B) GABORONE 1607

1. PERMSEC, MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS GOBE MATENGE  
TELEPHONED ME JUNE 5. HE SAID HE HAD JUST RETURNED  
FROM LEAVE AND, AS THE FIRST ORDER OF BUSINESS,  
WANTED TO KNOW WHAT IF ANYTHING WE HAD HEARD CONCERN-  
ING BOTSWANA'S REQUEST FOR A SPORTS ADMINISTRATOR.

2. MATENGE OUTLINED AT SOME LENGTH THE DISORGANIZED  
STATE OF AFFAIRS IN THE ALL-IMPORTANT FIELD OF  
SPORTS ADMINISTRATION, WHICH TOUCHES EVERY SCHOOL,  
ATHLETIC GROUP AND EVEN LEADING INDUSTRIES THROUGHOUT  
THE COUNTRY. HE SAID "NOW IS THE TIME" THAT  
ASSISTANCE IS NECESSARY SINCE COUNTERPOARTS (BOTSWANA  
GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS) HAVE BEEN NAMED AND ARE  
STARTING TO WORK.

3. MATENGE URGED THAT US REPLY BE RECEIVED  
SOON, ADDING THAT HE WAS "UNDER PRESSURE" FROM  
THOSE WHO SAY HE "MADE A MISTAKE IN TURNING  
TO THE US FOR ASSISTANCE".

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4. ACTION REQUESTED: AT MATENGE'S INSISTENCE  
I HAVE AGREED TO TELEPHONE HIM BY FRIDAY,  
JUNE 9, WITH AN INDICATION WHETHER US WILL BE  
ABLE TO PROVIDE THE SPORTS ADMINISTRATOR. IN  
EVENT OF NO REPLY, MATENGE INDICATED GOB WOULD  
WITHDRAW REQUEST TO US AND SEEK ANOTHER DONOR.

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